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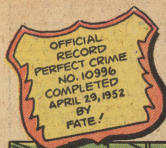
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-DON'T WORRY ABOUT A DOCTOR, STEVE! DID YOU GET THE LICENSE NUMBER?

NO! I WAS TOO BUSY DUCKING LEAD, RYAN! WONDER WHAT HE MEANT BY SAYING... KELLETT... KELLETT! KNOW ANYBODY BY THAT NAME WITH A MURDER RECORD?



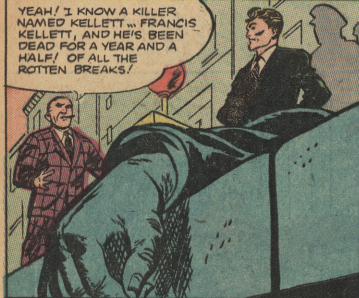
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Police Always Prove Why

OFFICER BILLY RYAN DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO ANSWER ... LT. GRIMSHAW BOUNCED OUT OF THE DOORWAY ... HE WAS MAD ENOUGH TO CHEW NAILS ...

YEAH! I KNOW A KILLER NAMED KELLETT ... FRANCIS KELLETT, AND HE'S BEEN DEAD FOR A YEAR AND A HALF! OF ALL THE ROTTEN BREAKS!



WHAT WAS IT, GRIMSHAW ... A SQUEAL?

UH-HUH! THIS GUY THOMAS KANE SAID HE WAS READY TO HELP US ON THE SAFEWAY ROBBERY. AH! I WARNED HIM TO SIT TIGHT! I SENT TWO MEN OUT TO PICK HIM UP AT HIS HOUSE. HE MUST'VE STARTED OUT ON HIS OWN!



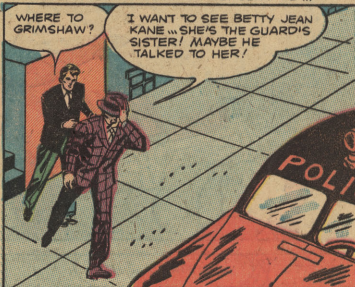
A YEAR AND A HALF I'VE BEEN TRYING TO CRACK THE SAFEWAY JOB. THIS GUY WAS MY BIG BREAK ... AND THEY BLAST HIM RIGHT IN FRONT OF MY BACKYARD!



GRIMSHAW HAD NO IDEA OF THOMAS KANE'S CONNECTION WITH THE ROBBERY. KANE HAD BEEN ONE OF THE FOUR GUARDS WHO WERE HELD UP ... BUT ALL FOUR GUARDS WERE COMPLETELY CLEARED ...

WHERE TO GRIMSHAW?

I WANT TO SEE BETTY JEAN KANE ... SHE'S THE GUARD'S SISTER! MAYBE HE TALKED TO HER!



THE KANE HOME WAS COMFORTABLE ... NOT FANCY, BUT NICE. BETTY JEAN SEEMED TO KNOW WHAT WE WERE GOING TO TELL HER ...

SIT DOWN PLEASE! IT'S ABOUT TOM, ISN'T IT? IS HE IN TROUBLE ... DID THEY ...?

I ... YES, MISS KANE! YOUR BROTHER TOM IS DEAD ... MURDERED!



IT TOOK SOME TIME FOR THE POOR GIRL TO COMPOSE HERSELF ... WHEN SHE DID ...

I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHO KILLED TOM ... BUT ONE THING I DO KNOW ... IT IS ALL CONNECTED TO THAT TERRIBLE ROBBERY WHERE TOM WORKED!

OH? AND WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT, MISS KANE? DID TOM ACT STRANGELY AFTER THE ROBBERY?



YES! HE SEEMED TO BE AFRAID TO GO OUT! HE WAS MOODY ... AND HE SEEMED TO HAVE LOST ALL CONCERN ABOUT MONEY. HE SPENT MOST OF HIS SAVINGS ... AND TOM HAD ALWAYS BEEN VERY THRIFTY BEFORE ...



Perfect Crime Is Impossible

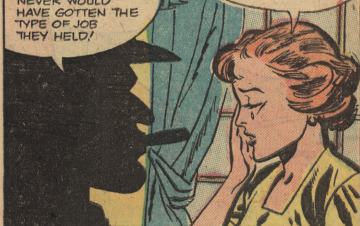
HMM... SOUNDS AS THOUGH TOM MIGHT HAVE HAD ENOUGH MONEY... SO THAT HE DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ANY MORE ABOUT SAVING...

THAT'S WHAT I SUSPECTED, LIEUTENANT! THEN I THOUGHT HE WAS JUST NERVOUS ABOUT BEING QUESTIONED SO MUCH BY THE POLICE.



WE QUESTIONED ALL FOUR MEN! WE HAD NO REASON TO SUSPECT ANY OF THEM... INCLUDING TOM! THEY ALL HAD CLEAN RECORDS... OTHERWISE THEY WOULD NEVER WOULD HAVE GOTTEN THE TYPE OF JOB THEY HELD!

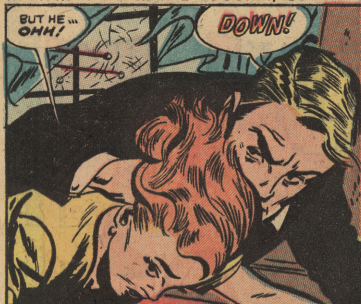
YES! BUT AFTER THE NEWSPAPER STORIES DIED DOWN A BIT... TOM STARTED SNEAKING OUT LATE AT NIGHT. I NEVER ASKED HIM WHERE HE WENT.



IT DIDN'T LOOK GOOD FOR TOM KANE... AND JUST AS I WAS BEGINNING TO WONDER WHETHER THE GANG MIGHT NOT TRY TO SILENCE HIS SISTER, TOO...

BUT HE... OHH!

DOWN!



ARE... YOU ALL RIGHT?

I... I THINK SO, YES! BUT... LOOK AT MY WINDOW!



PEOPLE SAY SILLY THINGS LIKE THAT UNDER STRESS. THE POOR GIRL SEEMED TO BE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT HER BROKEN WINDOW THAN WITH THE ATTEMPT ON HER LIFE...

JUST A FUNERAL HEARSE OUT ON THE STREET... MAYBE THE GUY WAS ON FOOT. THIS IS A DIRTY BUSINESS... I'LL HAVE 24-HOUR POLICE PROTECTION FOR YOU MISS KANE.

I'D LIKE TO LOOK INTO THIS GUY FRANCIS KELLETT'S BACKGROUND... MAYBE WE CAN DIG UP A CONNECTION.



WE WAITED FOR THE DETAIL GRIMSHAW ORDERED TO ARRIVE... THEN WE BOTH WENT TO WORK...

MADISON, I'M WARNING YOU... IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO MISS KANE...

DON'T WORRY, LIEUTENANT! I'LL KEEP BOTH EYES OPEN!

LET'S GET GOING, GRIMSHAW!

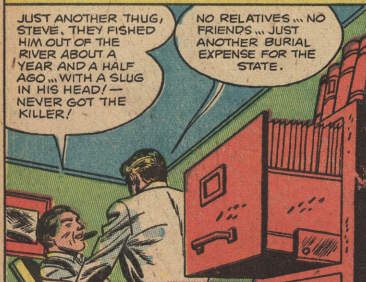


The Police Will Always Prove

WE THUMBED THROUGH THE FILES AT HEADQUARTERS FOR TWO HOURS... SEARCHING FOR SOME CONNECTION THE DEAD CRIMINAL KELLETT MIGHT HAVE WITH THE KILLING OF GUARD TOM KANE ...

JUST ANOTHER THUG, STEVE. THEY FISHED HIM OUT OF THE RIVER ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF AGO ... WITH A SLUG IN HIS HEAD! — NEVER GOT THE KILLER!

NO RELATIVES ... NO FRIENDS ... JUST ANOTHER BURIAL EXPENSE FOR THE STATE.



YOU'RE WRONG THERE, STEVE! HIS PALS DID BURY HIM. I REMEMBER ... IT WAS A BIG FUNERAL.

I'VE GOT AN IDEA ... MAYBE! NOTHING ELSE TO GO ON ANYWAY. TELL ME, GRIMSHAW, WHAT UNDERTAKER TOOK CARE OF THE FUNERAL.



GRIMSHAW GAVE ME THE UNDERTAKER'S NAME ... AND IN HALF AN HOUR ...

ARE YOU MR. CARSON? I'D LIKE TO TALK TO HIM ...

CARSON'S OUT OF TOWN ... I DON'T KNOW WHEN HE'LL BE BACK!

BEFORE THE TOUGH GUY COULD CLOSE THE DOOR...

JUST A SECOND, BUSTER! THIS IS IMPORTANT ... WHERE IS MR. CARSON?

GET YOUR FOOT OUT OF THE DOOR BEFORE I RAP YOU, WISE GUY!



I KEPT MY FOOT IN THE DOOR AND THE GUY RAPPED ME ...

THAT'S NO WAY ... UNH!

I TOLD YOU TO SCRAM! NOW HIT THE ROAD!



YOU SEEM TO BE IN THE WRONG BUSINESS, FRIEND! HAVEN'T I SEEN YOU SOME- PLACE BEFORE?

ONE MORE QUESTION OUT OF YOU, PAL, AND I'LL REALLY GIVE YOU A GOING OVER!



Crime Leads to the Grave!

NOW I HAVE NOTHING AGAINST UNDERTAKERS...SOME OF MY BEST FRIENDS ARE UNDERTAKERS. BUT THIS CREEP DIDN'T LOOK LIKE AN UNDERTAKER TO ME...

JUST ONE MORE QUESTION...WHICH SIDE DO YOU WEAR YOUR CHIN ON?



I'VE ALWAYS SAID A PUNCH ON THE JAW NEVER HURT ANYBODY...ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE DOING THE PUNCHING...SO...

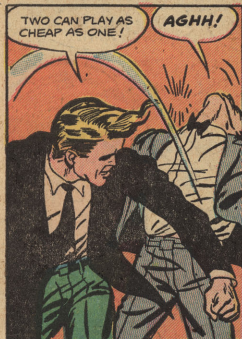
I'LL ... OOFF!

OH, COME ON ... DON'T BE A SOREHEAD!



TWO CAN PLAY AS CHEAP AS ONE!

AGHH!



PEACE, BROTHER, PEACE!



BEFORE I HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AROUND FOR J. G. CARSON...

IN HERE, BRIGHT BOY! YOU WANTED TO SEE CARSON...OKAY... HE'S WAITING!

HUH? SURE, WHAT-EVER YOU SAY!



I WAS LED DOWN TO THE EMBALMING ROOM...AND I BEGAN TO REGRET MY CURIOSITY...

YOU WANTED TO SEE ME, DUNCAN...WHAT IS IT? I'M BUSY...AND YOU'RE TRESPASSING. YOU KNOW THAT, DON'T YOU?

I KNOW IT! ALL I WANT TO KNOW IS WHAT MADE YOU BURY FRANCIS KELLETT? I THOUGHT YOU WERE A BUSINESS MAN...OR DO YOU BURY PEOPLE FOR DEAR CHARITY'S SAKE?



MY REMARK HIT CARSON LIKE A BOMB...AND I KNEW I WAS ON THE RIGHT TRAIL...

KELLETT! WHY DO YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT HIM?
ANSWER ME...WHY?

TAKE IT SLOW! I'M AN OLD PAL OF KELLETT'S...RIGHT BEFORE HE GOT KILLED, HE ASKED ME TO HELP HIM ON A LITTLE JOB.



One Miscue and Perfect Crime

THE LITTLE THREAD I HAD SNAGGED WAS ROLLING RIGHT UP INTO A BIG BALL MARKED ... **MURDER!**

KELLETT MUST HAVE TALKED BEFORE WE GOT TO HIM, CARSON!

SHUT UP! WE'RE STILL IN THE CLEAR!



I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO WAIT FOR GRIMSHAW. THEY WERE GETTING READY TO GIVE ME A FAST FUNERAL ... AND I WASN'T READY TO LEAVE THIS TROUBLED EARTH ...

HEY, GET ... UNH!



SO KELLETT TOLD YOU ABOUT THE BIG JOB, EH? THE FOOL ... AND YOU'RE A SAP TOO, BUDDY! YOU'RE GOING OUT OF HERE **IN A BOX!**

THE BIG JOB! THEN THIS IS THE GANG THAT PULLED THE SAFE-WAY CAPER! IF ONLY GRIMSHAW WOULD GET A BRAINSTORM!



DON'T SHOOT, BOYS ... UNDERTAKERS ALSO DIE!

YOU FOOLS! RUSH HIM!



BY THAT TIME, I WAS AT THE STAIRWAY ... I GAVE CARSON A BIG FOOT ...

HUNH! ULPH!

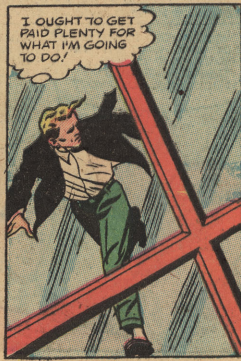


I WENT UP THE STEPS LIKE I WAS RUNNING BAREFOOT ON HOT COALS

WOW! HOW CAN THAT FIRING SQUAD MISS?



I OUGHT TO GET PAID PLENTY FOR WHAT I'M GOING TO DO!



Becomes Another Long Sentence!



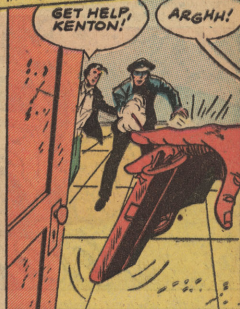
I HAD BEEN GETTING SO MANY BAD BREAKS ALL DAY I KNEW I WAS DUE FOR A GOOD ONE ... AND I GOT IT WHEN I LANDED AT THE FEET OF THE COP ON THE BEAT ...



HEY! HOLD IT THERE, MISTER!

INSIDE! WATCH OUT!

IN THE NEXT INSTANT...



GET HELP, KENTON!

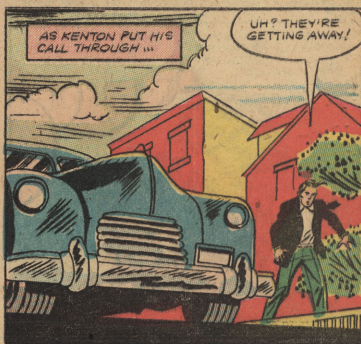
ARGHH!

OFFICER KENTON KNEW ME FROM HANGING AROUND GRIMSHAW'S OFFICE ... AND WITH A POLICE OFFICER'S SIXTH SENSE, HE KNEW THIS WAS A BIG FISH ...



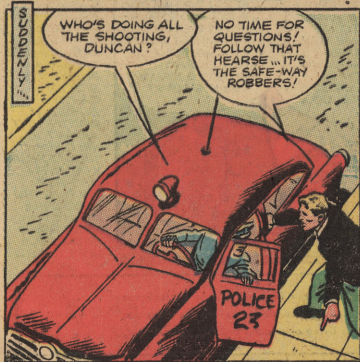
STICK AROUND, STEVE! I'LL GET HELP FROM THE CALL BOX!

HURRY IT UP, KENTON!



AS KENTON PUT HIS CALL THROUGH ...

UH? THEY'RE GETTING AWAY!

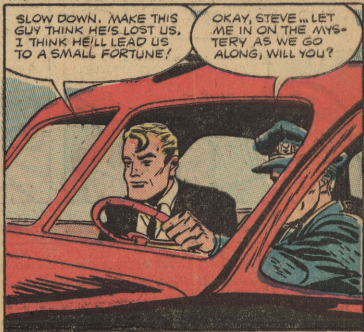


SUDDENLY ...

WHO'S DOING ALL THE SHOOTING, DUNCAN?

NO TIME FOR QUESTIONS! FOLLOW THAT HEARSE ... IT'S THE SAFE-WAY ROBBERS!

AFTER ALERTING ALL OTHER PROWL CARS IN THE AREA THE PROWL COP ZOOMED AFTER THE FLEEING HEARSE

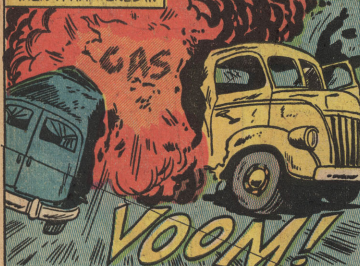


SLOW DOWN, MAKE THIS GUY THINK HE'S LOST US, I THINK HE'LL LEAD US TO A SMALL FORTUNE!

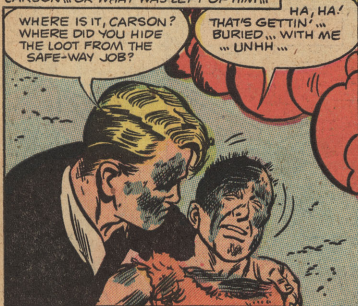
OKAY, STEVE ... LET ME IN ON THE MYSTERY AS WE GO ALONG, WILL YOU?

There Is NO Perfect Crime!

I FIGURED IF CARSON THOUGHT HE HAD LOST US, AND WITH THINGS SO HOT, HE WOULD HEAD FOR THE SPOT WHERE THE MILLION BUCKS WAS CACHED... THEN IT HAPPENED...



I MADE IT... HOW, I'LL NEVER KNOW. I DIDN'T HAVE ANY EYEBROWS OR LASHES LEFT, BUT I DID HAVE CARSON... OR WHAT WAS LEFT OF HIM...



WHERE IS IT, CARSON? WHERE DID YOU HIDE THE LOOT FROM THE SAFE-WAY JOB?

HA, HA! THAT'S GETTIN'... BURIED... WITH ME... UNHH...

IT WAS HORRIBLE... THE FLAMES CRACKLED AND ROARED OVER THE HEARSE. I WAS CERTAIN NOTHING COULD LIVE IN THEM... AND THEN...



STEVE... LOOK!

YEAH... AND THAT'S CARSON, TOO! I'M GOING TO GET HIM OUT!

CARSON DIED IN MY ARMS... BUT I HADN'T FORGOTTEN THE HOOD BACK IN THE FUNERAL PARLOR WHO HAD BEEN SHOT IN THE HAND AND LEFT BEHIND. WHEN I GOT THERE HE WAS SINGING LIKE A TRAINED CANARY... AND IT WAS A FASCINATING TALE...

...TOMMY KANE GOT IN A JAM GAMBLING... HE WAS FRAMED TO LOSE. WE WANTED HIM TO OWE US HIS LIFE. IT WAS ALL CARSON'S IDEA...



CARSON KNEW HE'D NEED AN INSIDE MAN AT THE SAFE-WAY VAULT WHO HAD A CLEAN RECORD, THAT WAS TOMMY KANE. THE JOB WENT OFF PERFECT... THEN FRANCIS KELLETT WANTED TO SPLIT THE DOUGH RIGHT AWAY...



THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE END... SO YOU KILLED KELLETT TO SHUT HIM UP!

RIGHT! THEN WE THOUGHT KANE WAS GETTING THE SAME WAY. HIS NERVES WERE CRACKING. WE KNEW HE WAS GOING TO THE COPS, SO...



YOU KILLED HIM, TOO... AND TRIED TO MURDER HIS SISTER! ONE THING I DON'T GET... WHY DID KANE DIE WITH KELLETT'S NAME ON HIS LIPS?

THE ANSWER WAS A SHOCKER, AND TIED THE CASE UP TIGHT... KANE KNEW WHERE THE MILLION BUCKS WAS HIDDEN... CARSON BURIED IT WITH KELLETT... RIGHT IN HIS COFFIN! THE LAST HOOD WAS GIVEN LIFE FOR HELPING THE STATE... THE MONEY WAS RECOVERED FROM KELLETT'S TOMB...

...AND I MARKED CLOSED THE STRANGE CASE OF THE PERFECT INSIDE JOB!

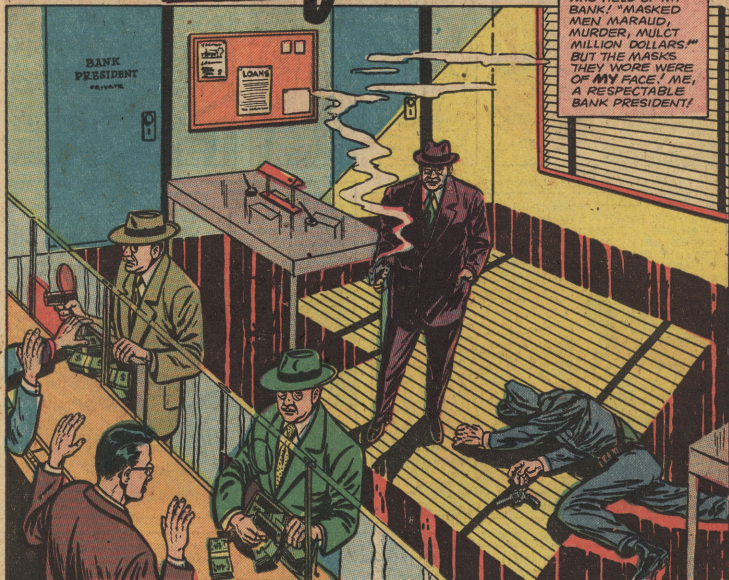
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IN
PRISON!

the bandits with **MY** face!

TALK ABOUT A REAL
LIFE NIGHTMARE!
HERE'S WHAT THE
NEWSPAPERS SAID
ABOUT THE BANDITS
WHO HELD UP MY
BANK! "MASKED
MEN, MARAUD,
MURDER, MILIT
MILLION DOLLARS."
BUT THE MASKS
THEY WORE WERE
OF MY FACE! ME,
A RESPECTABLE
BANK PRESIDENT!



MIDNIGHT, THE BACK ROOM OF A DINGY POOLROOM ...AND
THREE DESPERATE MEN ...

YOU GUYS KNOW ABOUT AS
MUCH ON THIS DEAL AS I
DO! I GET THIS PHONE
CALL, GUY SAYS HE KNOWS
A BANK
THAT CAN
BE
KNOCKED
OVER
EASY!

HOLD IT, DANCER ... THEN I
GET A LETTER WITH A
COMPLETE LAYOUT OF
THE BANK ... IT'S A
PUSHOVER! ...

...AND NEXT I GET A PACKAGE, EACH OF US
HAS BEEN CALLED ON THE PHONE AND
TOLD TO MEET HERE ... WONDER
WHAT'S IN THIS PACKAGE ANYHOW!

OPEN
IT
UP!

Steady Teamwork by the Police



RUBBER FACE MASKS!
HEY...THIS IS LIKE
THAT BOSTON BANK
CAPER, WHERE THE
GUYS USED MASKS
...AND THEY GOT
AWAY WITH A
COUPLE OF
MILLION!

YEAH...
AND
THEY'VE
NEVER
BEEN
CAUGHT!



NO ONE'D
EVER
KNOW
YOU,
THREE-
GUN!

ME OWN MUDDER
WOULDN'T KNOW
ME, THAT'S FOR
SURE! THIS GUY'S
USIN' HIS BEAN!



I SAY
WE GO
INTO
THIS!

ME, TOO... EVEN IF
WE ALL DID JUST
GET SPRUNG OUTA
THE CAN!

THE NEXT DAY THEY GOT FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS...
ON THE PHONE...



MALLORY, HUH? THE BANK JOB?...
YEAH, ME AND THE DANCER AND
THREE-GUN ARE ALL
SET!... YOU'LL BE
WORKING ON IT,
TOO?... OKAY...
11:30 TOMOR-
ROW! MAIN
STREET...



ELEVEN-
TWENTY...

HE
BETTER SHOW
SOON... I'M
GETTIN'
NERVOUS!

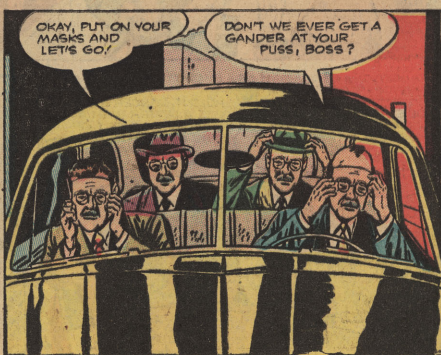
WHAT'S TO GET NERVOUS?
WE GOT THE GATS... WE'RE
ALL SET, I KNOW THE
LAYOUT OF THAT BANK
LIKE MY OWN HAND?

ELEVEN-THIRTY... ENTER THE BRAIN
GUY...



ALL
SET?

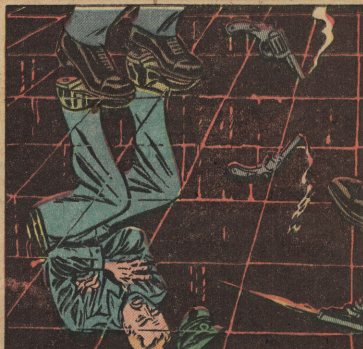
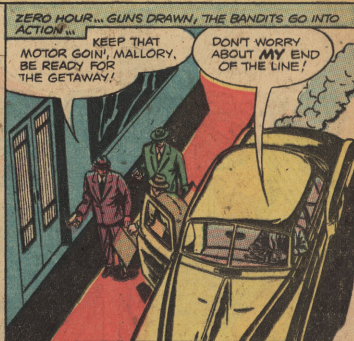
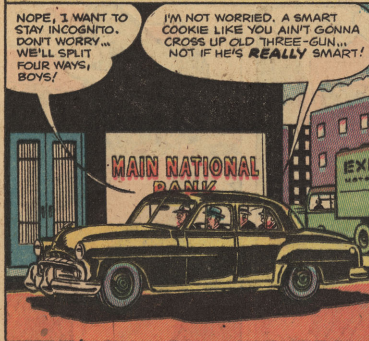
IT'LL BE A PUSH-
OVER!



OKAY, PUT ON YOUR
MASKS AND
LET'S GO!

DON'T WE EVER GET A
GANDER AT YOUR
PUSS, BOSS?

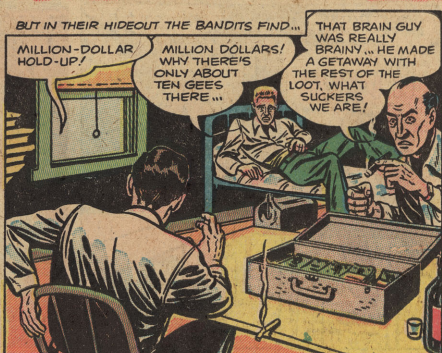
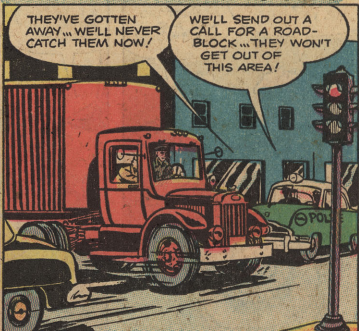
Will Always Trap the Criminal!



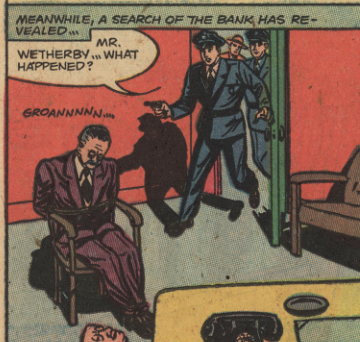
A Criminal's Life Is Short



BY A FREAK OF LUCK THEY OUTDISTANCE PURSUIT ...



The Police See to That!



There Is NO Perfect Crime!

BUT **THIS** DOES!

WH... WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
HOW DARE YOU?



YOU THOUGHT THAT IF YOU GAVE THE BANK EXAMINER A BIG ENOUGH BRIBE HE'D KEEP HIS MOUTH SHUT ABOUT THE SHORTAGES HE FOUND, DIDN'T YOU, MR. WETHERBY?



HE DIDN'T... HE COULDN'T... BUT THIS MAKES HIM AS GUILTY AS ME...

HE FOUND A WAY OUT, SIR... HE KILLED HIMSELF AND LEFT THIS AS A SUICIDE NOTE...



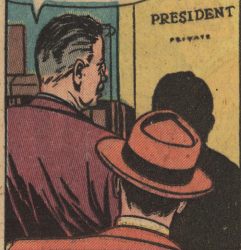
ALL MY BEAUTIFUL PLANS... MY PERFECT COVER-UP... RUINED...

YOU THOUGHT IF YOU HAD THE BANDITS WEAR MASKS OF YOUR FACE IT WOULD MAKE YOU LOOK INNOCENT, DIDN'T YOU?



YES... I THOUGHT IT WAS SO CLEVER, TOO... I HAD TO BE SURE THOSE ROUGH MEN I USED DIDN'T SUSPECT ME... FOR FEAR THEY'D COME AFTER ME...

BANK
PRESIDENT
PRIVATE



HOW'D YOU GET HOLD OF THREE BANK ROBBERS? A MAN IN YOUR POSITION DOESN'T MEET THAT TYPE EASILY!

MORE OF MY CLEVERNESS... I WATCHED THE JAIL... WAITED TILL SOME BANDITS WERE PAROLED. THAT WAS THE ONLY WAY I COULD FIND THEM... MALLORY, THREE-GUN AND THE DANCER.



ONCE THEIR IDENTITY WAS KNOWN THE TRIO DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A CHANCE TO SPEND THE TEN-THOUSAND DOLLARS...

BRAIN GUY!
WHAT A CREEP!

YOU KNUCKLE-HEADS SHOULD TALK! HE BILKED **YOU**, DIDN'T HE? THE ONLY ONE HE COULDN'T CHEAT WAS OLD LADY JUSTICE. YOU GUYS NEVER FIND OUT UNTIL TOO LATE THAT THERE IS NO PERFECT CRIME!



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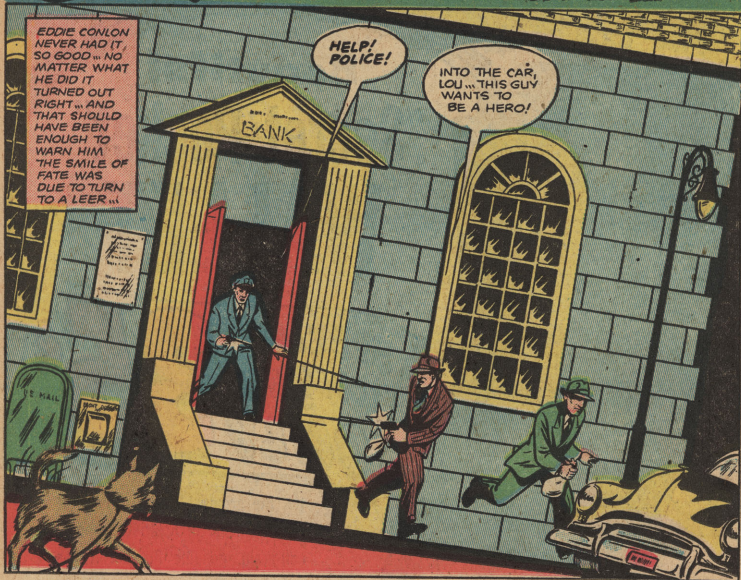
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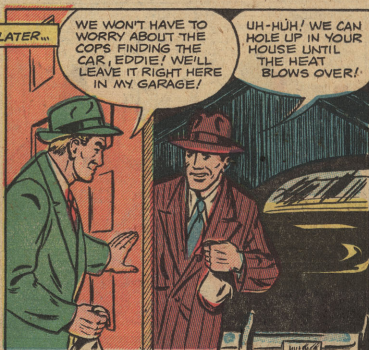


THE IRON-NERVED POLICE OFFICER HOLDS HIS FIRE UNTIL HE IS CERTAIN OF SCORING A HIT AND...

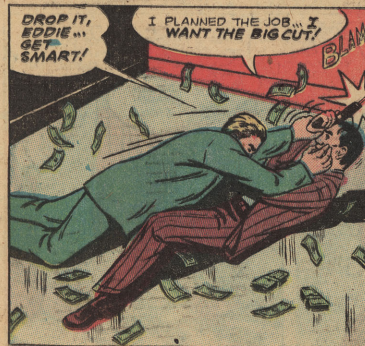
WHAT? A MISFIRE!



LATER...



Crime Will Always End



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EDDIE CONLON CLUTCHES HIS EYES IN AGONY... AND LOU MARLOW DIVES FOR THE GUN...

ALL RIGHT, LOU... TAKE THE EVEN CUT... I CAN'T SEE...

YOU CREEP! I'M TAKIN' IT ALL! BUT FIRST YOU GET PAID OFF PROPER!



NOW I GOT THE ROD, EDDIE! AND I'LL SHOW YOU HOW I HANDLE DOUBLECROSSERS!

HA, HA! LOU, YOU'RE TOO STUPID TO LIVE. YOU CAN'T EVEN COUNT!



A SHADOW OF FEAR CROSSES MARLOW'S FACE AS HE LOOKS AT THE GUN IN HIS HAND...

YOU MEAN... THIS ROD IS... EMPTY?

CORRECT! COUNT THE SHOTS I FIRED AT THE BANK... AND IN HERE! IT'S AS EMPTY AS YOUR HEAD!

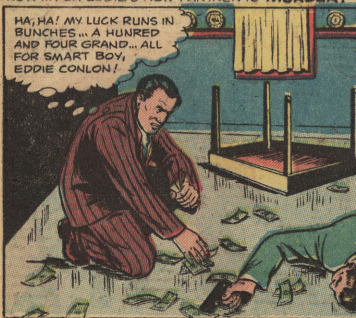


BUT THIS ONE ISN'T, LOU! SO LONG, MIDGET-BRAIN!



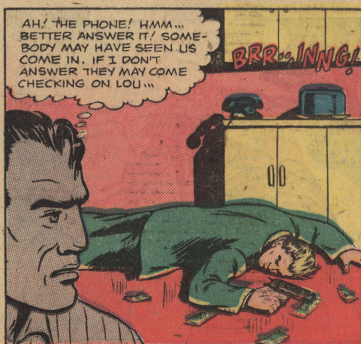
THERE WILL BE NO TWO-WAY SPLIT FOR EDDIE CONLON NOW... FOR EDDIE'S NEW PARTNER IS MURDER!

HA, HA! MY LUCK RUNS IN BUNCHES... A HUNDRED AND FOUR GRAND... ALL FOR SMART BOY, EDDIE CONLON!

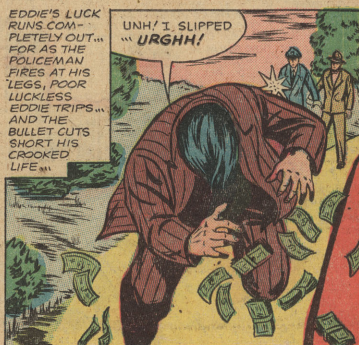
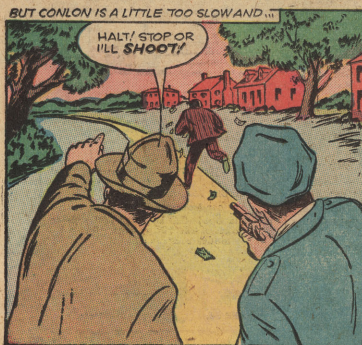


AH! THE PHONE! HAMM... BETTER ANSWER IT! SOMEBODY MAY HAVE SEEN US COME IN. IF I DON'T ANSWER THEY MAY COME CHECKING ON LOU...

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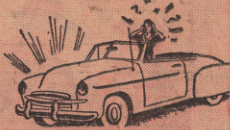
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HAD TO LIVE ...
AND HIS KIND
NEVER THINKS
OF WORKING
... SO ...



A Criminal Always Errs!

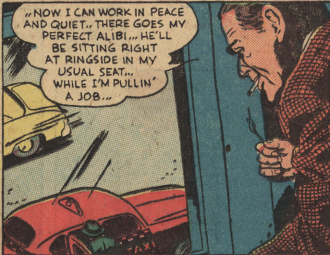
ONE HOUR
LATER IN
FRED BURLY'S
APARTMENT

NOW HERE'S A TICKET TO
THE FIGHTS... I WANT YOU TO
STAY UNTIL THE FIGHTS
ARE OVER... REPORT
BACK HERE AND I'LL
SLIP YOU ANOTHER
FIFTY BUCKS...

IT'S A DEAL, MR BURLY!
I DON'T MIND MAKING
A HUNDRED BUCKS
JUST WATCHIN' THE
FIGHTS... AND IF ANY-
BODY ASKS ME... I'LL
TELL 'EM I'M FRED
BURLY... AND TO
STOP BOTHERIN' ME...



AND SO ANDREW STANLEY STARTED FOR THE FIGHTS...
IT WAS EASY DOUGH FOR HIM... ALL HE HAD TO DO WAS
PRETEND HE WAS FRED BURLY...



"NOW I CAN WORK IN PEACE
AND QUIET... THERE GOES MY
PERFECT ALIBI... HE'LL
BE SITTING RIGHT
AT RINGSIDE IN MY
USUAL SEAT...
WHILE I'M PULLIN'
A JOB..."

HALF AN HOUR LATER AT THE HOME OF
WEALTHY RECLUSE, THORNTON DEAN...



I CAN OPEN THAT CAN IN NOTHIN'
FLAT... THERE MUST BE THIRTY
GRAND IN THERE!
I JUST HOPE THE OLD
GUY DON'T WAKE UP...

TEN
MINUTES
LATER...



OH, BROTHER!
LOOK AT THAT
GREEN!

BUT AS FRED BURLY STARTS TO LEAVE
THROUGH THE SAME WINDOW...



STOP! DON'T
TRY TO GET AWAY
...OR I'LL
SHOOT!

WHY YOU OLD FOOL...



YOU PULLED A ROD
ON THE WRONG
GUY!

ARGGH!

BAM!

LEAPING FROM THE LOW WINDOW SILL, FRED BURLY BEATS A HASTY
RETREAT THROUGH BACK ALLEYS AND DIM STREETS TOWARD HIS APARTMENT...



MADE IT! YEAH! THEY'LL NEVER
PIN THIS ONE ON ME... HA, HA!
I DIDN'T EVEN NEED THAT GUY I
HIRED FOR A DOUBLE... BUT IT
WAS GOOD INSURANCE!

There Is NO Perfect Crime!

..SOON AFTER...



UNH? OKAY...OKAY!
WAIT A SECOND!

TREMBLING WITH SUDDEN TERROR, FRED BURLY SWEEPS THE LOOT UNDER HIS BED AND LETS THE POLICE IN...



STOP STALLING, BURLY!
OLD MAN DEAN IDENTIFIED A PHOTO OF YOU BEFORE HE DIED! LET'S GET DOWN TO HEADQUARTERS



WE CHECKED ON THAT ANGLE, BURLY!
YOUR SEAT WAS EMPTY!
YOU WEREN'T AT THE FIGHTS TONIGHT!
LET'S GO!

WITH A DESPERATE LUNGE FRED BURLY SHAKES LOOSE THE TWO OFFICERS AND MAKES A FRANTIC BID FOR FREEDOM...BUT...



FRED BURLY DIED WITHOUT KNOWING JUSTICE AND COINCIDENCE HAD TRAPPED HIM...FOR AS BURLY'S BODY WAS TAKEN INTO THE CITY MORGUE...

SAY...THAT'S ODD... THIS FRED BURLY LOOKS JUST LIKE THAT POOR FELLOW WHO WAS RUN OVER BY A TAXI OUTSIDE THE FIGHTS TONIGHT... POOR GUY NEVER EVEN HAD A CHANCE TO USE THE FIGHT TICKET IN HIS HAND...

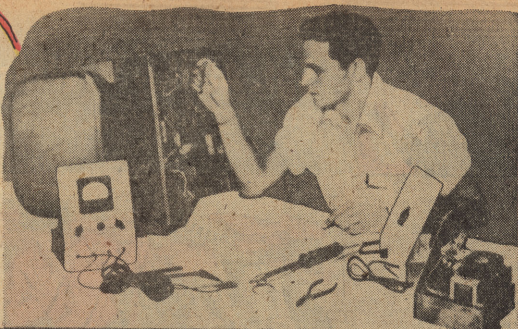
THAT'S SO! HUMPH! THEY DO LOOK ALIKE, DON'T THEY, SAM!



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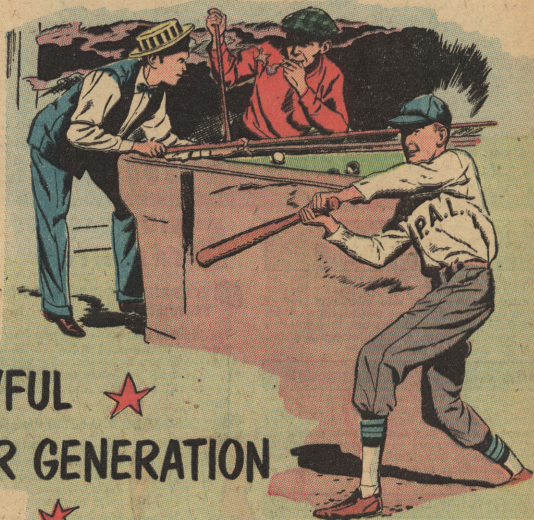
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THAT AWFUL YOUNGER GENERATION

If you're in your teens, or will be soon, you will soon begin to hear older people talk about how awful the younger generation is. They'll say, "Why when I was a teen ager, I was well behaved." Or, "You never heard about juvenile delinquency when I was younger." Or, "I can't understand what comes over the younger generation these days." Or . . . or . . . or . . . you've probably heard it all by now, and if you haven't heard it, you've seen articles in the papers about it.

Well, relax. Each older generation, as it gets older, forgets about the bad things they did in their youth, and remembers only the good things.

The parents, the grown ups of today, were the flaming youths of the twenties. The next time

you hear older people running down the youth of today, ask them about what happened in the last generation!

If you can make them remember, you'll be surprised, and so will they!

It might be a good thing if the older generation today would do what we've been doing lately and going back through old newspapers during the nineteen twenties! Phew . . . what the older generation of that day had to say about the younger generation then! The same accusations, the same idea that the world was going to the dogs, that all young people were evil and trouble makers, that the country was going to be ruined by what they then called the 'flappers' and the 'sheiks.'

What people seem to forget all about, is the

fact that it is only a small proportion of youngsters in any generation who make the headlines. All kids get blamed for the mistakes and faults of smaller groups.

We think it might be a good idea to remember this the next time newspapers, radio and television go into the routine about juvenile delinquency and how much worse this younger generation is than the past one.

Statistically something has changed too, that makes it seem that our teen age problem is a much worse one than the preceding era. Nowadays when a teenager gets into trouble we have courts and special technical experts who work with and try to help the youngsters who are in trouble. This is fine, and as you know, if you've read any of our previous articles on this subject we are in favor, heartily in favor, of anything that will help delinquents. But it must be borne in mind that twenty or thirty years ago the same troubled kids who got into a mess were more than likely to be thrown into jail with adult criminals. The statistics did not show the percentage of kids to 'grown up' real criminals.

Nowadays we do know just what percentage of kids are involved and this is the reason that it seems on the surface that many, many more teen agers are going bad than used to go bad.

Really, although there may be a higher percentage even taking this into account, another factor must be taken into consideration, and that is that the total population of America has risen many million fold since the last census. We have increased from one hundred and twenty million to one hundred and eighty million. That extra sixty million, gives us a higher amount from which maladjusted teen agers can come.

If we take these two factors into account, we doubt very much if the increase in delinquency has been half as great as some article writers would lead you to think.

It must be remembered too that we are living in a period of much greater strain so that the weak, the neurotic, amongst our kids are pushed harder, are made to carry a much heavier burden and therefore there is a much bigger reason for them to snap and leave the straight and narrow.

If adults can and do crack up under the strain of hot wars and cold wars, the threat of bacteriological warfare and of the atom bomb, and now the H bomb, then it is not too surprising if we find that a higher number of youngsters crack up.

We've been feeling much more optimistic about the problem of teen age depravity since we began to think along these lines. We no longer feel as discouraged as we may have

sounded in past articles.

We think that perhaps that awful younger generation is no more or less awful than any other younger generation.

If we're right and we have no reason to think we're not, we can face the future with a lot more hope than we have had for a long long time.

It was inevitable we suppose, for us to be depressed when we did not look below the surface of the headlines which constantly bombard us and tell us how bad things are. For the unpleasant truth is that it is a lot easier to sell newspapers and magazines that show how bad things are than it is to sell articles on how good things are.

You know very well that every headline you see in the papers, but for a small minority, is about murder, or death, or battles, that few indeed are the headlines that announce something wonderful and pleasant like the news of the new wonder drug that may cure tuberculosis, one of man's oldest killers.

It is a pity that this is true, that bad news sells better than good. But we think maybe you may feel more optimistic if you know and realize that things are never quite as bad as the radios and newspapers would have you believe.

The next time we see a report in the papers about twenty or twenty-two teen agers being arrested for having stolen cars, or held up a storekeeper at a gun's point, we're going to bear in mind the thousands upon untold hundreds of thousands of kids who are doing what they have been taught to do at home, in school and in church.

Their doings never make newspaper headlines because they are potentially good citizens. They are basically good youngsters who are going to grow up into good adults.

We think if you do the same thing, that you'll be a lot healthier mentally, and that you will no longer have guilt feelings about belonging to that "awful younger generation."

There's an old old saying, that 'there were giants in those days.' This is just another way of saying that when you look back into the past everything always seem to have been rosier than it is today. That youngsters were better then than they are now. That the whole world was a different, better place.

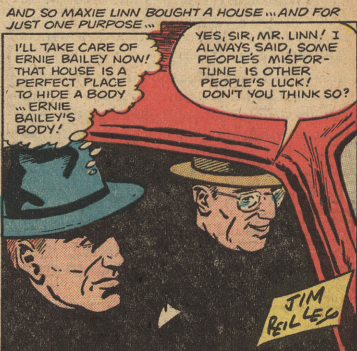
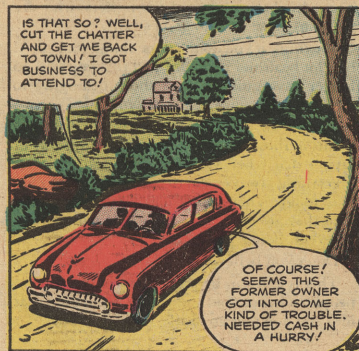
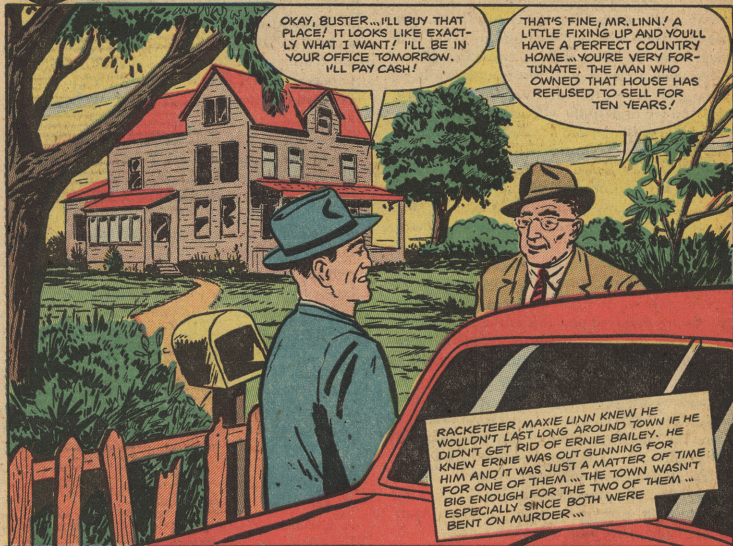
Don't you believe it.

This is and can be a good world, with good people in it, both old and young. Hold onto that idea and don't let go of it!

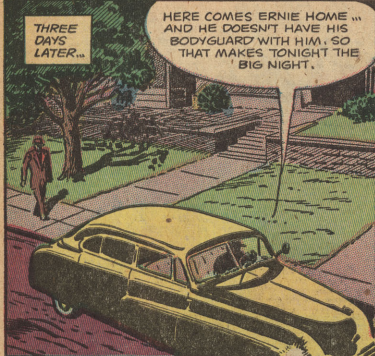
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THREE
DAYS
LATER...

HERE COMES ERNIE HOME ...
AND HE DOESN'T HAVE HIS
BODYGUARD WITH HIM, SO
THAT MAKES TONIGHT THE
BIG NIGHT.



HEY, ERNIE!
I WANT TO
SEE YOU!

UH...WHO ARE YOU?
I CAN'T SEE
YOUR FACE.

AS ERNIE COMES CLOSER...



MAXIE
LINN!

GET IN, ERNIE!
YOU AND ME ARE
GOING UP TO
LOOK AT MY
NEW HOUSE!

MINUTES LATER...



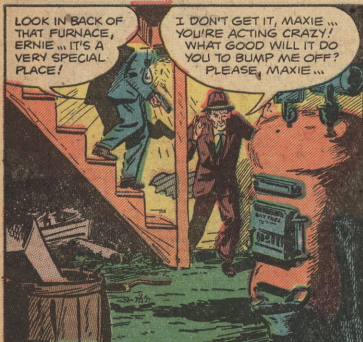
KEEP YOUR
HANDS BACK
OF YOUR NECK,
ERNIE! WE'LL
BE AT MY
PLACE SOON!

DON'T DO ANY-
THING CRAZY,
MAXIE! IF IT'S
DOUGH YOU WANT
I'LL PAY. ALL I
WANT IS TO BE
FRIENDS WITH
YOU!

AND AT MAXIE LINN'S NEWLY-PUR-
CHASED HOME...

LISTEN TO
REASON, MAXIE! I DON'T
WANT ANY TROUBLE WITH
YOU! I WAS GOING TO
LEAVE TOWN AND LET
YOU TAKE OVER
EVERYTHING!

SURE
YOU WERE!
HA, HA! YOU
STILL ARE GOING
TO LEAVE TOWN,
ERNIE. GET
DOWN IN THE
CELLAR... I'VE
GOT SOMETHING
TO SHOW YOU!



LOOK IN BACK OF
THAT FURNACE,
ERNIE... IT'S A
VERY SPECIAL
PLACE!

I DON'T GET IT, MAXIE ...
YOU'RE ACTING CRAZY!
WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO
YOU TO BUMP ME OFF?
PLEASE, MAXIE...

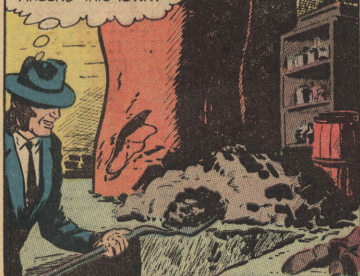


...I'LL DO
WHAT YOU
...SAY...
ARGHH!

I MIGHT HAVE LISTENED
BEFORE, ERNIE ... BUT NOT
SINCE I'VE FOUND THE
PERFECT PLACE FOR
MURDER!

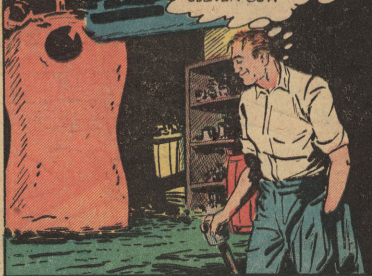
There Is NO Perfect Crime!

THEY'LL NEVER FIND ERNIE'S BODY! SURE THEY'LL SUSPECT ME ... BUT THEY'D NEVER FIGURE I'D HIDE HIS BODY RIGHT IN MY OWN HOUSE. I'LL BE KING AROUND THIS TOWN!



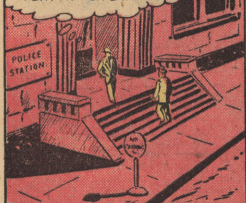
LATER THAT NIGHT...

HAH! THERE ... IT'S FINISHED! NOBODY WOULD EVER SUSPECT A BODY IS FOUR FEET UNDER THERE. MAXIE, YOU'RE A CLEVER GUY.



MAXIE LINN SLEPT EASY THAT NIGHT ... SURE, THE POLICE MISSED ERNIE, BUT LIKE MAXIE SAID, THEY COULDN'T PROVE ANYTHING. THEY HAD TO LET MAXIE GO ...

HA, HA! THIS IS GOOD! SO THEY WANT TO KNOW IF I'VE SEEN ERNIE BAILEY AROUND TOWN. WOULDN'T THEY DIE IF THEY KNEW I HAD ERNIE RIGHT AT HOME ...



MAXIE FELT LIKE HE'D REALLY PULLED OFF THE PERFECT CRIME, BUT THEN MAXIE DIDN'T KNOW A CURIOUS CHAIN OF CIRCUMSTANCES WERE WORKING AGAINST HIM. THAT EVENING, A POLICE LIEUTENANT KNOCKED ON MAXIE'S DOOR ...

I WANT TO LOOK AT YOUR CELLAR ... WE KNOW THERE'S A BODY BURIED DOWN THERE ... BEHIND THE FURNACE ...



WHAT? YOU MUST BE CRAZY!

THE LIEUTENANT AND THE REAL ESTATE MAN FOLLOW MAXIE INTO THE CELLAR ...

IT SHOULD BE RIGHT ABOUT HERE ... I'LL DIG DOWN ...

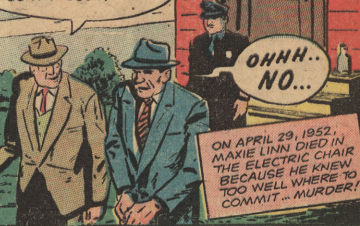
ALL RIGHT! I KILLED ERNIE BAILEY ... BUT HOW DID YOU EVER FIND OUT WHERE I BURIED HIM ...



YOU WHAT? DON'T MOVE MAXIE! YOU'VE MADE A SLIGHT MISTAKE!



YES, MR. LINN! WE CAME HERE TO DIG UP THE BODY OF THE WIFE OF THE MAN WHO USED TO LIVE HERE. I TOLD YOU HE WAS IN TROUBLE ... HE CONFESSED THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE ... SAID BEHIND THE FURNACE WAS A PERFECT PLACE TO BURY A BODY!



OH... NO...

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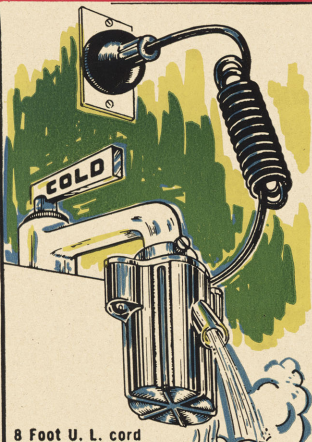
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